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Minutes

Bureau of Pipefitters, Refrigeration Technicians and Sprinklerfitters Department of Public Safety, Bldg B, 1380 Bay St., Taunton, MA 02780 June 19, 2013, 9:30 a.m.

1. Meeting called to order by the Chairman at 10:00 a.m., followed by roll call:

Board Members Present:

Henry Geryk, Chairman

Pauline Lally

William Gallagher

Jennifer Revill

John Viola

Leo Fahey

Mark Fortune

Dan Dumont

Michael Torchio

Guests Present:

Doug Neveu, Notch Mechanical

John McMullen, Local 51

Scott King, New England Orbital

Chuck Borstel, Assoc'd Builders & Contractors

Atty Steve Roche

Chief John Rogers, DPS

Brian Logan, DPS

Carrie Torrisi, DPS

Cesar Lastra, DPS

Board Members Not Present:

Frank Norton

William Young

- 2. The agenda for today's meeting was reviewed by members present; a motion to accept the agenda was made by Mark Fortune, seconded by John Viola, motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 3. The minutes from the last meeting on May 22, 2013, were reviewed by members present; motion to adopt these minutes into record was made by Mark Fortune, seconded by Jennifer Revill, motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 4. The following applications for licensure were considered by the Bureau:
 - a. Application from Michael Beaudry to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam was considered, Mr. Beaudry was not present at this meeting. **Motion to deny this application made by William Gallagher, seconded by Leo Fahey; motion passed by unanimous vote.**

5. Pipefitting Regulation Discussion

- a. The Chairman opened discussions, using an outline handed out at the May 22nd meeting. The Bureau members reviewed the proposed definitions and license classifications (see attached outline). After reviewing each item, the Bureau member approved the proposed definitions and license classifications with minor changes and additions to be made and reviewed at the next meeting.
- b. The Bureau agreed to meet next on Wednesday, 7/17, to discuss the regulations only, as long as a quorum is available. .

6. Old Business

- a. Leo Fahey inquired on the grandfathering date of July 1st and if the effective date still applied. Carrie Torrisi would look further in to the matter. A discussion over proof for grandfathering between John Rogers and the Bureau took place. John Rogers states that the Bureau has the authority to determine the necessary proof, not the Department of Public Safety. Carrie Torrisi states that statute allows the Bureau to determine if examination is required as proof to be grandfathered.
- b. Leo Fahey inquired on the examination process and which entity is responsible for establishing the questions. The Chairman stated that a Task Group is established but the Bureau can submit questions for consideration. John Rogers stated that the final exam approval review is conducted by the Department of Public Safety, not the Bureau as it is the department's examination.

7. New Business

- a. Leo Fahey introduced that there is legislation regarding retaining fees and that the Bureau should submit a letter of support. John Rogers stated that the letter of support must be from the Bureau on not from the Department of Public Safety.
- b. Mark Fortune motioned that language is drafted and incorporated in to the regulations regarding the 13D Sprinkler Systems Policy Statement. Seconded by Dan Dumont; motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 8. With no remaining topics on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 11:56am.

*Action items to be addressed at the next meeting are indicated by an asterisk

The next meeting of the Bureau of Pipefitters, Refrigeration Technicians, and Sprinklerfitters will tentatively be on Wednesday, July 17, 2013.